

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 593

Short Title: Improve Professor Quality/UNC System. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators McInnis (Primary Sponsor); and Brock.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 30, 2015

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION AT THE CONSTITUENT
3 INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 116-11 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

6 "**§ 116-11. Powers and duties generally.**

7 The powers and duties of the Board of Governors shall include the following:

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9 (8c) The Board of Governors shall adopt a policy applicable to all the constituent
10 institutions that requires all professors teach a minimum of eight class
11 courses per academic year. The salary of any professor who teaches less than
12 the required number of classes shall be reduced on a pro rata basis, but may
13 be supplemented with the proceeds of the constituent institution's
14 endowment fund. The policy shall also require an annual independent audit
15 of each constituent institution to determine compliance.

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17 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 116-36(b) reads as rewritten:

18 "(b) It is not the intent of this section that the proceeds from any endowment fund shall
19 take the place of State appropriations or any part thereof, but it is the intent of this section that
20 those proceeds shall supplement the State appropriations to the end that the institution may
21 improve and increase its functions, may enlarge its areas of service, and may become more
22 useful to a greater number of people. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the proceeds of an
23 endowment fund may be used to supplement the salary of a professor whose salary has been
24 reduced pursuant to G.S. 116-11(8c)."

25 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to academic
26 years beginning on or after July 1, 2015.

